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Daily Readings from the Bible

JUNE

Morning Readings.	Evening Readings.
10. Psalms, 72	Isaiah, 46:1-47:7
11. Acts, 1:1-26	" 47:8-48:11
12. " 2:1-28	" 48:12-49:13
13. " 2:29-3:10	" 49:14-50:3
14. " 3:11-4:12	" 50:4-51:16
15. " 4:13-37	" 51:17-52:12
16. " 5:1-32	" 52:13-54:3

Church News

VIRGINIA.

Richmond: The success of the Assembly's Training School is well assured. Already it has enrolled thirty students for the next session, which opens in September.

Mizpah: Great regret is felt that Rev. William E. Hutchison, the pastor of this church, is going to leave. He has accepted a position in Stillman Institute, Tuscaloosa, Ala., and will begin his work there about September 1st. Mr. Hutchison has done fine work in this church since he has been here, and the church has grown under his ministry.

Norfolk: On Tuesday morning, June 6th, a large and enthusiastic meeting of ministers and laymen of Norfolk Presbytery was held, to take measures for the creation of greater interest in Sabbath School work among the Presbyterians of Tidewater Virginia. The meeting was presided over by Rev. W. A. Hall, of Suffolk, Va., Chairman of Presbytery's Committee on Sunday Schools. Rev. Hugh H. Hudson, of Charlottesville, Va., Chairman of the Synod's Committee, was present and made an address in the interest of the work. It was decided to hold an institute the first week in October, and to bring to Norfolk at that time, some of the ablest Sunday-school workers of our Church. The Second Presbyterian Church, of which Rev. D. N. McLaughlin, D. D., is the pastor, will entertain the members of the body during the session. Committees to prepare for the institute were appointed as follows:

Program—Rev. W. H. T. Squires, Norfolk, Va., Chairman; Rev. S. N. Hutchison, Norfolk, Va.; Rev. E. T. Wellford, D. D., Newport News, Va.; Rev. T. H. Dimmock, Expo, Va.; Rev. Chas. Friend, Hampton, Va. Attendance: Rev. J. A. Christian, Norfolk, Va., Chairman; Rev. A. W. Shaw, Norfolk, Va.; Rev. D. A. McNeil, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Henry Young, Norfolk, Va., and Mr. DeWitt Crane, of Newport News, Va. Entertainment—Rev. D. N. McLaughlin, D. D., Norfolk, Va., Chairman; Rev. V. G. Smith, Portsmouth, Va.; Dr. Jno. W. Buchanan, Norfolk, Va.;

Mr. Harold C. Smith, Norfolk, Va., and Mr. Geo. B. Crow, Norfolk, Va. Finance—Mr. E. S. Burgess, of Portsmouth, Va., Chairman; Mr. J. B. Pinner, Suffolk, Va.; Mr. W. H. Taylor, Norfolk, Va.; Judge Jas. H. Fletcher, Accomac, Va., and Mr. J. T. Jacobs, Norfolk, Va. "Cor."

Farmville: The Presbyterians of Farmville had the pleasure of hearing Rev. Theron Rice, D. D., at the morning hour of worship on the first Sunday of June. He had as his subject the "Hope of the Christian" and with the skill of an artist and the strength of a master pictured to what that hope led—"A sanctified Soul, a Glorified Body and a Perfected Environment." The sermon made deep impression upon those privileged to hear it. At the evening hour of worship Dr. Rice preached the baccalaureate before the graduating class of the State Normal for Women. The 3rd chapter of Proverbs, his text, and this he declared to be "God's University." Unique the subject and unsurpassed the treatment. R. B. B.

Lexington: Sunday, May 28th, Rev. Dr. Howerton preached for us in the morning and Rev. Martin R. Turnbull at night. Sunday, June 4th, the pulpit was occupied morning and night by Rev. Dr. J. Gray McAllister, of Louisville Seminary. A. H.

Newport News, First Church: The annual social of the choir was held in the lecture room of this church on the evening of June 9th. Supper was served by Mesdames Crane, Braxton, Willett, Jr., Miss Mary McMullan and the teachers of the Junior Department. Covers were laid for thirty-two. Besides the members of the choir, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Wellford and Mr. J. W. Gaw were the guests of honor. After supper a splendid musical program was rendered.

We are delighted to report that seventeen members of our Christian Endeavor Society took the Christian Endeavor Expert examination and have received their diplomas.

ALABAMA.

Presbytery of East Alabama met in called session in the office of the First Presbyterian church, Montgomery, on Monday, June 5, at 12 M. There were present seven ministers and three elders.

Officers: Dr. R. H. McCaslin, Moderator; Rev. E. M. Craig, Stated Clerk, and Rev. C. B. Currie, Permanent Clerk.

Dissolutions: The pastoral relation of Rev. E. M. Craig to the Prattville Church was dissolved, this church reluctantly concurring in Mr. Craig's request for dissolution. Mr. Craig was granted a letter of dismissal to the Presbytery of Macon, that he may accept a call to the Presbyterian Church, of Albany, Georgia. Concerning him, resolutions from the Prattville Church, which were specially commendatory, were read; and similar resolutions by the Presbytery were adopted.

Elections: Rev. C. B. Currie, of Florala, as Acting Stated Clerk and Treasurer, till the Fall meeting. Rev. L. R. Scott, as Chairman of the Committee on Systematic Benevolence; Rev. C. H. Rogers, of the Committee on History; Rev. C. N. Whorton, of the Committee on Church Societies; and Rev. H. L. Sneed, of the Church and Manse Builders' Society. Rev. L. R. Scott, as a member of the commission to install Rev. C. B. Yeargin as pastor of Greeneville Church, he to charge the pastor. Elder S. J. Casals, of Trinity church, as chairman of the committee to portion out among the churches of the Presbyterian Synod's apportionment of \$3,000 for Synodical schools and colleges.

C. B. Currie, Acting S. C. Montgomery, Colored Work: On

Sunday, June 4, at 4 P. M., we had sermon to our day school. Quite a large number of patrons and friends with their children were out. On Monday night, June 5, we had our annual concert. The church building was packed and many were turned away, who had bought tickets. Everyone was well pleased with the showing made by their children. On Wednesday we had the Sunday-school and the day-school to have a union picnic which was largely attended. We have enrolled for the year 167 pupils, ages running from 6 to 18.

Mrs. Champney has assisted me in the school room. She has also conducted a large sewing class. Next term we hope to add cooking. The Bible, the Catechism and hymns have been taught along with the other studies. We have had 5 children from the Juvenile Court. For these we have had to make a written report once a week. We have conducted a night school. In all this we have not neglected our church work for more have been added to the church the past year than any previous year. The day-school has been a great help to the Sunday-school and Church. Our only regret is we did not begin years ago. Yet the years of experience in the country schools of the State and seven years in the State Normal school means much in prosecution of the work we are now trying to do.

There are some things we need to make the work what it ought to be. First of all we need a larger building or the enlargement of the old one we now occupy. We need a chapel organ. We will need a range for our cooking class. Should any friends, who may read these lines desire to write us, we will be glad to hear from them.

I. C. H. Champney.

ARKANSAS.

De Queen: The total contributions of the church for the year ending March 31, 1916, were \$2,298, of which \$937 were for benevolences. This was a slight gain over the preceding year. All the churches worshipped with us on the last Sunday morning in May and heard an excellent sermon by the pastor of the local M. E. Church, South. The occasion was the annual memorial service for Confederate Veterans. Our official board has been strengthened by the addition of two men to the diaconate. A live Christian Endeavor Society, of forty-five members, has been organized.

J. I. P.

FLORIDA.

DeFuniak Springs: The congregation of this church has been highly favored of late in having visits and messages from outside workers. On May 14 Rev. John I. Armstrong, D. D., who was on his way to the General Assembly at Orlando, was with us and gave us two strong and earnest messages. Dr. Armstrong is a favorite with our people and they are always glad to know of his coming. The mid-week service on May 31 was addressed by Rev. Geo. H. Cornelson of New Orleans, who, on the same day, delivered the literary address to the graduates of Palmer College. This address, like the one in the morning, was greatly enjoyed. On June 4 we had with us a most earnest worker in the person of Mr. Chas. F. Evans, field secretary of the Christian Endeavor. He spoke helpfully at three services: to the Junior Mission Band, the Christian Endeavor Society, and also at the evening church service. We hope all of these faithful workers can come among us again.

Daniel J. Currie.

GEORGIA.

Cuthbert: The Cuthbert and Fort Gaines churches are in a prosperous

condition. The attendance on all services is good and is constantly increasing. Recently a Westminster League was organized in the Cuthbert church. There have been 29 additions to the two churches since the 1st of November. On the night of the 4th Sabbath of May, Mr. R. B. Hightower and Mr. J. T. Street were ordained and installed deacon and elder, respectively, in the Cuthbert church. The Presbytery of Macon met in the Cuthbert church on April 13 and was a great blessing to the church. On the 3rd Sabbath of May, Rev. A. M. Atkins, the pastor, preached the baccalaureate sermon for the Buffton High school.

LOUISIANA.

Minden: After twenty-five years of service as superintendent of the Sunday school, Mr. F. H. Drake has requested that he be allowed to resign in order that some of the men who have been recently added to the church's membership might be pressed into active service. In accepting his resignation the session adopted resolutions expressing its hearty appreciation of his long and faithful service. None but those who are familiar with the struggle of this church can appreciate the value of Mr. Drake's labors in its behalf. With a mere handful of associates, he has kept the Sunday-school going through periods of depression, when the very existence of this church seemed to depend upon it. The entire congregation feel proud of this record, and are a unit in testifying to the earnestness and consecration that have characterized his work. Mr. Melvin F. Johnson has been elected his successor and has already entered upon the duties of his office.

Natchitoches: Mr. D. James Cumming, a recent graduate of Louisville Seminary, has entered upon the work of this important field. Reports are that about a thousand students are enrolled at the Normal for the Summer term, thus offering a broad field for work among the students. The church has sustained a great loss in the recent death of Prof. L. A. Davis, one of its ruling elders. The little band of Presbyterians, however, are encouraged over having a resident pastor, and promise to rally all of their forces to his support. Mr. Cumming point, each fourth Sunday.

MISSISSIPPI.

Lauderdale: A most interesting meeting of five days has just closed at this church. The minister, Rev. Herve McDowell, assisted by Rev. John Goff, baptized three heads of families, who united with the church. Five professions of faith were made, as well as three who came by letter. By a happy fortune Bro. McDowell, who is leaving Lauderdale to take the work at D'Lo, presided over a congregational meeting, in which Rev. H. M. Jenkins was called to the pastorate of this church. Mr. Jenkins has been called also to the Fourth church of Meridian.

MISSOURI.

St. Louis Presbytery met June 9th. 1. Rev. H. T. Guthrie was released from the pastorate of the Crocker, Bethany and Swedeborg churches and given permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery.

2. Rev. J. S. Goehring was received from the Minnewaukan Presbytery (U. S. A.) and appointment made for his installation as pastor of the Troy church.

3. Mr. C. R. Garrison, a member of Central church, was licensed and ordained to the work of the ministry as an evangelist.

Walter M. Langtry, S. C.

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